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## PUBLIC NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULE CHANGES

Pursuant to the Georgia Administrative Procedures Act, Official Code of Georgia (O.C.G.A.) § 50-13-1, et seq., the Georgia Department of Community Health is required to provide public notice of its intent to adopt, amend, or repeal certain rules other than interpretative rules or general statements of policy. Accordingly, the Department hereby provides notice of its intent to revise the **Rules and Regulations for Assisted Living Communities, Ga. Comp. Rules & Regs., R. 111-8-63.** These rules are being proposed pursuant to the authority granted to the Department in O.C.G.A. §§ 31-2-5 and 31-2-7. An exact copy of the revised rules and a synopsis of the revisions are attached to this public notice.

## NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

An opportunity for public comment will be held on July 14, 2021 at 10:30 a.m. via WebEx audio. There will be no in-person attendance at the Department of Community Health. Follow these instructions to join the event:

1. Click here to join the online event or copy and paste the following link to a browser:

https://dchevents.webex.com/mw3300/mywebex/default.do?nomenu=true&siteurl=dchevents&service=6&rnd=0.25266716527899113&main\_url=https%3A%2F%2Fdchevents.webex.com%2Fec3300\_%2Feventcenter%2Fevent%2FeventAction.do%3FtheAction%3Ddetail%26%26%26EMK%3D48325\_34b00000004445a6c94588ca93c7855ca623e94f4403b7eb8e183f1538738cf9843233b961c%26siteurl\_%3Ddchevents%26confViewID%3D195314006856072469%26encryptTicket%3DSDJTSwAAAAT54V\_q7TBHcI3UzW2QLIMSoM0ueOfgwXAzLY\_TpoCiEyw2%26

2. Click "Join Now."

Call-in toll number (US/Canada) 1-650-479-3207

Access code: 127 060 6255

Oral comments may be limited to ten (10) minutes per person. Individuals who are disabled and require assistance to participate during this meeting should contact the Office of General Counsel at (404) 657-7195 at least three (3) business days prior to the meeting.

Individuals wishing to comment in writing on any of the proposed changes should do so on or before July 16, 2021. Due to reduced physical staffing at the 2 Peachtree St. location in an attempt to limit the amount of exposure to COVID-19, DCH encourages written public comments submitted



in accordance with O.C.G.A. 50-13-4(a)(2) to be submitted via e-mail to the following e-mail address: **Public.comment@dch.ga.gov**.

Any comments not able to be submitted via e-mail may be submitted via regular mail to the following address:

Attention: Mary Peterkin Office of General Counsel Georgia Department of Community Health 2 Peachtree Street, NW, 40<sup>th</sup> Floor Atlanta, GA 30303

Comments from written and public testimony will be provided to the Board of Community Health prior to August 12, 2021. The Board will vote on the proposed changes on August 12, 2021.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THIS 10th DAY OF JUNE, 2021

Frank W. Berry, Commissioner